1	2	3	4	5
July '91	10·7	6·7	4·6	8·8
August '91	10·3	5·5	2·7	5·0
Sept. '91	10·3	6·1	2·6	8·3
Oct. '91	11·4	6·7	3·1	13·0
Nov. '91	12·4	6·9	2·1	11·4
Dec. '91	13·7	6·1	4·8	12·8
Jan. '92	15·3	6·5	3·1	10·7

पटरी और गेज परिवर्तन

337. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार वाराणसी, छपरा, मऊ, बलिया, शाहगंज रेल लाइन के दोहरेकरण और आमान परिवर्तन पर विचार कर रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी नहीं

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(ग) इन खंडों पर यातायात की मात्रा को देखते हुये दोहरीकरण का औचित्य नहीं बनता है । बलिया के रास्ते छपरा–औंड़िहार के आमान परिवर्तन का कार्य चल रहा है । रेलों ने सभी मीटर लाइनों को उत्तरोत्तर बड़ी लाइनों में बदलने तथा एक ही आमान प्रणाली की ओर अग्रसर होने का विनिश्चय किया है । शेष खंडों के आमान परिवर्तन के बारे में अगले चरण में शुरू की जाने वाली परियोजनायें तय करते समय विचार किया जायेगा ।

Gauge conversion and electrification Projects

338. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) The details of the new lines, gauge conversion and Electrification projects approved by the Planning Commission during the Seventh Plan period;

(b) The number of those which are under implementation and the progress made in each case so far; and

(c) The details of the projects for laying of new lines, gauge conversion and electrification to be taken up during the Eighth Plan period ?

THE MINISTE R OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) and (b) A statement is attached. (*see* below)

(c) Eighth Plan has not been finalised, but tentatively conversion of 6000 kms. and electrification of about 3500 kms. has been programmed. Individual sections would be decided on a year to year basis.

Statement

S. No.	Section	Target Date of completion and percentage progress
	NEW LINES	
1	Satna-Rewa (50 kms)	Nearing completion. Targeted for opening by June, 92.
2	Guna-Etawah (348 kms) . . .	Guna-Shivpuri opened. Gwalior-Panihar targetted for opening in March, 1992. Overall progress 37%.
3	Lakshmikantapur-Namkhana (47·5 Kms) .	Lakshmikantapur-Kulpi (9 kms) targetted for March 1992. Work is in progress.
4	Trichur-Guruvayur (24 kms) . . .	Nearing completion. Targetted for opening in March 1992.
5	Beas-Goindwal (27 kms)	Land being acquired by Punjab Government. Work will be taken up thereafter.
6	Godhra-Indore & Dewas-Maksi (316 kms) .	Work in progress. Progress is 14%.
	GAUGE CONVERSION	
1.	Chhapra-Aunrihar (171 kms) . . .	12% in progress. Target date is 1994-95.
	ELECTRIFICATION	
1	Tundla—Agra—Bayana (112 kms) . .	Already completed by March 91.
2	Champa—Gevra Road (45 kms) . .	Already completed by Dec., 88.
3	Krishna Canal-Guntur-Tenali (57 kms) .	Completed by Feb., 89.
4	Jolarpettari-Erode & Salem Mettur Dam (221 kms)	Jolarpettari-Salem-Mettur Dam (153 kms) already energised. Electrification works on Salem-Erode section are nearing completion. Target—March 92.

Konkan Railway Line

339. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the work on Goa stretch of Konkan Railway line has been held up;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any changes have been suggested in the Konkan Railway alignment through Goa by the State Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the impact on the cost of the project due to the change ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The State Government suggested change in the alignment between Margao and Balli, a stretch of 13 Kms. so as to avoid the villages of Navelim, Dramapur and Sarzona. This suggestion has been accepted. The overall cost will remain unchanged.

आगरा में छपरा मेल रेलगाड़ी में आग

340. **श्री राम नरेश यादव :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि आगरा में 31 जनवरी 1992 को छपरा मेल रेलगाड़ी में आग लग गई थी ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस दुर्घटना का ब्यौरा और उसके क्या कारण हैं ?